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INFO AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

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SUBJ: BACKGROUND OF NEW SUDANESE AMBASSADOR TO MOROCCO

1. DURING A RECENT COURTESY CALL ON AMBASSADOR EL-RACHID NURELDINE, WHO HAS BEEN SUDANESE AMBASSADOR HERE SINCE NOVEMBER 28, 1974, HE DISCUSSED HIS PAST ACTIVITIES IN SUDAN. HE DESCRIBED HIMSELF AS FORMER CHIEF OF SECURITY IN SUDANESE ARMY AND SAID HE HAD BEEN IN "VARIOUS POLITICAL DISPUTES" IN KHARTOUM. HE SAID HE HAD BEEN UNJUSTLY ACCUSED OF BEING COMMUNIST. AS RESULT OF THIS CHARGE, HE WAS TURNED DOWN AT LAST MINUTE FOR MILITARY TRAINING IN US IN 1967. AS PROOF OF HIS ANTI-COMMUNISM HE NOTED HE HAD SUPPORTED PRESIDENT NUMAYRI WHEN THE COMMUNISTS HAD ATTEMPTED TO SEIZE POWER IN THE SUDAN.

2. NURELDINE ASKED ME TO DO WHAT I COULD TO CLEAR HIS RECORD IN WASHINGTON.

3. COMMENT: NURELDINE'S STORY SEEMS A BIT STRANGE. WE WILL BE INTERESTED IN ANY INFORMATION DEPT. OR KHARTOUM MAY FURNISH.
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